Scheduled Tribe Category exists as on 31.12.1992 for want of suitably qualified Class I, II and III officers and also on account of a Court stay order against the recruitment of Class-II officers. These companies are making efforts to get the stay vacated and initiate an exclusive recruitment drive for clearing the backog expeditiously.

Jobs in GIC

945. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether any schere was initiated by the General Insurance Corporation and its subsidiaries to edsorb candidates from schools who have completed 10 plus 2 in the year 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93;

(b) whether they are going to be made permanent;

(c) whether under the scheme, reser vation for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes were kept; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons there-for?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) A two year job linked Vocational Course in General Insurance was introduced by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and the General Insurance Corporation (GIC) in the year 198S on a pilot basis, in a few schools, in selected cities. This scheme covers the candidates qualified in *the* years 1990-91 to 1992-93 also.

(b) The GIC have reported that they are going to be made permanent.

(c) Schools have been requested to keep 9 seats in a class of 40 reserved for scheduled castelscheduled tribe candidates.

(d) Does not arise.

आयकर लगाने हेतु आयकर की सीमा बढ़ाया जाना

946. डा. नौनिहाल सिंह : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार आयकर लगाने हेतु आयकर की सीमा को बढ़ाने का विचार कर रही है :

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार इस दिशा में कब तक अन्तिम निर्णय ले लेगी ; और

(ग) मूल्यों में लगातार वृद्धि को ध्यान में रखते हुए सरकारी कर्मचारियों को राहत पहुंचाने के उद्देश्य से सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. वी. चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) : (क) से (ग) वित्त अधिनियम 1993 द्वारा आयकर अधिनियम के अन्तर्गत छूट की सीमा को 28000रु में से बढ़ाकर 30,000 रु. तक कर दिया गया है और वेतन-आय के संबंध में मानक कटोती की अधिकतम सीमा को 12,000 रु. से बढाकर 15,000 रु. तक कर दिया गया है । आयकर छूट की सीमा की राशि से संबंधित मुद्दे पर बजट -पूर्व कार्यवाही के दौरान विचार किया जाता है उसके निर्णय पर वार्षिक वित विधेयक में विचार किया जाता है ।

Realisation of tax from East-West Airlines

947. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the East-West Airlines operating in the country are in huge arrears of Travel Tax running into crores of impress,